

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Commerce ISD

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Commerce Independent School District was held on November 17, 2022 at the Commerce ISD Administration Building. President Kathleen Hooten called the meeting to order, extended a warm welcome and announced that a quorum was present. The meeting had been posted for the time and manner required by law.

Board members present for the meeting were Mrs. Kathleen Hooten, Mrs. Kelsey Lytle, Dr. LaVelle Hendricks, Mr. Gabe Witkopf. and Dr. Ray Green. Mr. Doc Pierce was not present.

Executive Session...

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board would convene in executive session at 6:04 pm to discuss personnel (§551.074) and hold a private consultation with the Board's attorney, if necessary (§551.071).

Reconvene from Executive Session...

Mrs. Hooten announced that the Board ended its closed session at 7:07 pm on November 17, 2022.

Opening Activities

Dr. Hendricks led an invocation. The pledge to the U.S. flag was led by Mrs. Lytle and the pledge to the Texas flag was led by Mr. Wittkopf.

Citizens' Comments

There were no citizen's comments.

Action on Items Discussed in Executive Session

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the employment of Amanda Gangawere, CES and Timothy Thomas, CMS. Dr. Hendricks seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 17, 2022 and the financial statements and investment summary of October, 2022. Mrs. Lytle seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of the 21-22 Financial Audit by Rutherford, Taylor and Company

Mr. Robert Lake presented the audit. Dr. Green made a motion to accept the audit as presented. Mrs. Lytle seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of Proposed Special Assignment Sub Pay

A motion was made to approve special assignment sub pay. Mr. Wittkopf made a motion to raise the current pay (\$70, \$80 and \$90 per day) to \$90, \$100 and \$110 per day. Dr. Green seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of a \$500 Stipend for all Commerce ISD Employees

Dr. Hendricks made a motion to approve the stipend. The stipend will be paid out of Esser Funds. Mr. Wittkopf seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of the Adjunct Faculty Agreement with Hunt County AgriLife

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the agreement as presented. Mrs. Lytle seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consider Approval of Renewal of Membership in Walsh Gallegos' Legal Services Retainer Program

Mrs. Lytle made a motion to approve the renewal as presented. Mr. Wittkopf seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Information Report

There was a discussion regarding Administration/Pre-K.

Team of Eight training will be on December 5, 2022 at 1:00pm.

The check register was included as well as the principal's reports.

The Team of Eight Training will be on Monday, December 5, 2022 at 1:00 pm.

The December Board Meeting is set for Thursday, December 15, 2022 with Executive Session beginning at 6:00 pm and the Open Session beginning at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be held at the Central Administration Building.

Board Comments

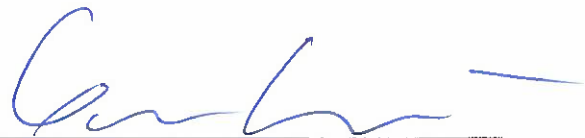
None

Adjournment...

Dr. Green made a motion to adjourn at 8:18 p.m.



Kathleen Hooten, President



Gabe Wittkopf, Secretary